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Council for Teacher Education
Minutes of the April 16, 2020 Meeting

A meeting of the Council for Teacher Education was held at 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 state of emergency, the meeting was held telephonically:

Chris Ward, Co-Chair - Graduate Studies Coordinator, Upper Valley Educators Institute
Kelly Moore Dunn, Co-Chair Director of Teacher Education, NHTI Concord
Laura Stoneking, Administrator, Bureau of Educator Support and Higher Education
Tom Schram, University of New Hampshire
Steve Bigaj, Keene State College
Brian Walker, Coordinator for Clinical Experiences at Plymouth State University
Cindy Gallagher, Franklin Pierce University
Michael Fournier, Superintendent, Bedford School District
Bryan Belanger, Southern New Hampshire University
Suzanne Canali- Woodcock, New England College
Kenneth Darsney, Franklin Middle School
Nick Marks, Granite State College
Diane Monico, Program Director of Education Programs, Rivier University
Laura Thomas, Antioch University New England
Laura Wasielewski, Saint Anselm College

The following members were unable to attend:

Nicole Lemire, Pinkerton Academy
Nicole Heimarck, NH Alliance for College and Career Readiness
Bonnie Painchaud, Merrimack, Reeds Ferry Elementary School

Meeting participation also included:

Kimberly Wilson, Bureau of Credentialing, Department of Education
Steve Appleby, Director, Bureau of Educator Support and Higher Education
Bill Ross, Bureau of Credentialing, Department of Education
Audrey Rodgers, Southern New Hampshire University
Mary Ford, Southern New Hampshire University

Co-Chair Chris Ward called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. and welcomed members.

1. WELCOME

Co-Chair Chris Ward welcomed the members and reminded everyone that all votes taken as a meeting which any member participates electronically must be by roll call vote.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF February 20, 2020 MINUTES

Laura Stoneking made a motion to accept the February 20, 2020 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Kelly Moore Dunn. Motion passed. Abstained, Laura Wasielewski.

3. CTE MEMBERSHIP

Mike Fournier made a motion to accept the application of Karen Testerman for a three-year term on the Council for Teacher Education (CTE) as an additional member. Seconded by Cindy Gallagher. Motion did not pass. Abstained, Laura Stoneking.

Steve Bigaj made a motion to accept Tom Julius from Antioch University for a three –year term on the Council for Teacher Education (CTE) to replace Laura Thomas. Seconded by Tom Schram. Motion passed unanimously.

4. SNHU - Substantive Change Request

Mary Ford presented Southern New Hampshire University’s (SNHU) request to rescind the prior substantive change to phase out their undergraduate secondary certification programs. Mary explained that after they heard feedback and comments from the State Board of Education, they have decided to offer the secondary certification programs at both the graduate and undergraduate level instead of phasing it out.

MOTION- Laura Stoneking made a motion to amend the previous substantive change request to retain the undergraduate secondary programs and align the expiry to August 31, 2022. Suzanne Canali-Woodcock seconded the motion.

Motion passed. Abstained, Bryan Belanger

5. PROGRAM REVIEWS UPDATES

Laura Stoneking informed the group that the State Board of Education granted a one-year extension to Granite State College for their program review due to current circumstances. Laura also started the discussion regarding the November University of New Hampshire review possibly needing an extension as well. Laura reported that there is a meeting on May 19, 2020 to discuss the future.

The group discussed who will Co-Chair the St. Anselm College program review, and when the review will take place in 2021. Steve Bigaj and Mike Fournier volunteered to Co-Chair.

Kelly Moore-Dunn and Ken Darsney volunteered to Co-Chair the Antioch University program review. The group discussed scheduling the review for March of 2021.

There was discussion regarding the upcoming Upper Valley Educators Institute program review. Brian Walker volunteered to chair the review.

6. PSB AND COMMISSION UPDATES

Bill Ross gave an update on the Professional Standards Board (PSB) subcommittee for Ed 505.07 Professional Education Requirements. Bill informed the group that at the last meeting the subcommittee focused on where remote instruction should be in the Professional Education Standards.

Discussion regarding how, and when, the Council can review the subcommittees draft so that they can give feedback and comments.

Bryan Belanger reported that the March HB 258 commission meeting was cancelled, and they have not had a meeting since.

7. DOE REPORT AND UPDATES

Laura Stoneking updated the group that the Annual Report reviews done at the February meeting will be going to the State Board of Education in May. Laura also informed the group that they have moved the New England College (NEC) program review report to the June State Board of Education meeting.

Discussion regarding the Chair(s) for 2020-2021, and if a Vice Chair or Secretary is needed?

Suzanne Canali-Woodcock spoke about the possibility of starting a subcommittee in the fall that specifies or clarify what the Council is really looking for in a program review.

Laura Stoneking informed the Council that Educational Testing Services (ETS) and ACT will be offering remote testing.

Laura Stoneking also gave the State Board of Education update in Steve Appleby's absence. Laura reported that the Ed 500 rule changes scheduled to go to the State Board of Education for approval have been delayed. The current Ed 500 rules have been extended for an additional 180 days due to the due to the current Covid-19 circumstances.

Laura Wasielewski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:39pm. Seconded by Bryan Belanger. Motion passed unanimously.